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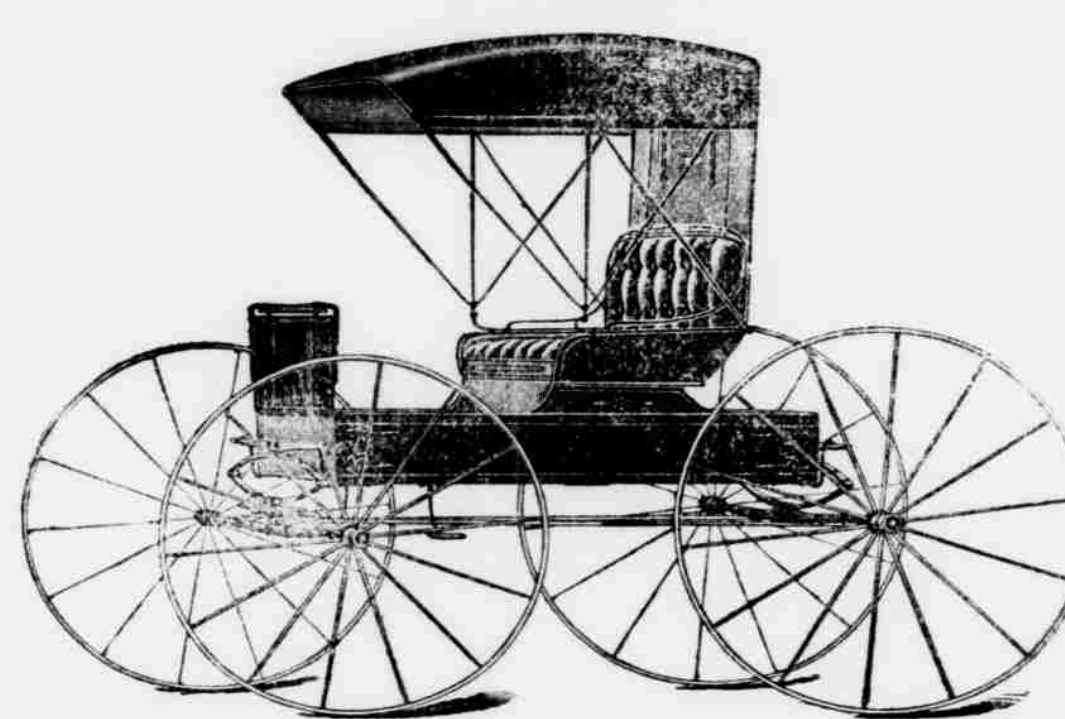


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Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that letters testamentary upon the estate of Geo. W. Pierce, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 25th day of June, 1901, by the probate court of Bates county, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate, are required to exhibit them for allowance to the administrator within one year after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of this publication, they will be forever barred.

J. S. PIERCE, Administrator.

Administrator's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Anna E. Yates, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, by the Bates county probate court, in Bates county, Missouri, bearing date the twenty-fifth day of June, 1901.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance within one year from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within two years from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

W. I. YEATES, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and all others interested in the estate of C. F. Porter, deceased, that I, W. H. Allen, administrator, intend to make a final settlement thereof, at the next term of the Bates county probate court, in Bates county, state of Missouri, to be held at Butler, Mo., on the 12th day of August, 1901.

JOSEPHINE A. PORTER, Administrator.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors, and all others interested in the estate of Jannette Allen, deceased, that I, W. H. Allen, administrator, intend to make a final settlement thereof, at the next term of the Bates county probate court, in Bates county, state of Missouri, to be held at Butler, Mo., on the 12th day of August, 1901.

W. H. ALLEN, Administrator.

"DIRT DEFIES THE KING." THEN SAPOLIO IS GREATER THAN ROYALTY ITSELF.



Nature's... Moderation

THE human constitution is very much like a fire, and the way many people try to take care of their health may be compared to the way a careless kitchen girl looks after the cooking stove. One minute it is raging red-hot, and then suddenly, first thing you know, the fire is out. People are sometimes led to believe that a medicine which has a sudden, tremendous effect must be truly wonderful. They forget that it may be merely a tremendous "draught" which imparts a temporary false effect of brightness and "fire" to the system, but suddenly drops it lower than before.

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SLIGHTLY MIXED.

Fond Husband's Recollections on the Day of His Silver Wedding.

They were celebrating the silver wedding, and, of course, declares London Tit-Bits, the couple were happy and affectionate.

"Yes," said the husband, "this is the only woman I ever loved. I shall not forget the first time I proposed to her."

"How did you do it?" burst out a young man who had been squeezing a pretty girl's hand in the corner. They all laughed, and he blushed, but the girl stood it bravely.

"Well, I remember as well as if it were but yesterday. It was at Brighton. With some friends we had gone down for the day, and she and I got wandering alone. Don't you remember it, my dear?" The wife smiled.

"We sat by the shore. You haven't forgotten, love, have you?" The wife shook her head.

"She began writing in the sand with the point of her parasol. You recall it, sweet, don't you?" The wife nodded again.

"She wrote her name, 'Nellie,' and I said: 'Let me put the other name to it,' and I took the parasol and wrote my name, 'Fibkins,' after it. And she took the parasol and wrote below it: 'No, I won't.' Then we went home. You remember it, darling? I see you do." Then he kissed her, and the company murmured sentimentally: "Wasn't it pretty?"

The visitors had all departed and the happy couple were left alone.

"Wasn't it nice, Nellie, to see all our friends so happy?"

"Yes, it was, John. But that reminiscence."

"Ah! it seems as if it were but yesterday."

"Yes, dear; there are only three things you are wrong about in that story. I never went to the seaside with you before we were married, I was never at Brighton in my life, and I never refused you."

"My darling, you are wrong."

"No, sir, I am not wrong. I have a good memory, and although we've been married 25 years I'd like to know who that minx was. You never told me about her before."

A SLIGHT MISTAKE.

Mr. Jones Makes Excuses to His Wife's Dressing Model.

Mr. Jones came home at an unseemly hour the other night, and was surprised to see Mrs. Jones sitting up for him below stairs, with no other light than that of the gas lamp, which faced the door, to keep her company, says London Tit-Bits.

"M-M-Marie," he said, huskily, "y-you shouldn't sit up 's late when I'm out on business."

As Mrs. Jones did not answer him he continued, in an alarmed voice: "Sherry, m'dear, but it's last time—tell you I'm sorry—won't she speak to me?"

At this moment Mrs. Jones called from above stairs: "Mr. Jones, who are you talking to at this hour of the night?"

"Thash what I'd like to know m-m-myself," stammered Jones.

Mrs. Jones hastened downstairs, lamp in hand. When she saw the situation she laughed, in spite of being very angry.

"It's the model," she said—"the model I bought to-day to fit my dresses on."

"Yes, thash so," said Jones, tipsily: "model woman—didn't talk back—make some fellow good wife."

THOMAS, THE PLAYWRIGHT.

Did Not Travel the Rose Path to Success—His "Edith's Burglar."

Augustus Thomas did not reach the position of one of America's leading playwrights by a rose path. He had many bitter discouragements. The story of how fame came to him at last by the production of "Alabama," after the manuscript had laid on one of A. M. Palmer's shelves for two years, is well known. "Alabama" was not his first play, however. Long before he had come to New York from St. Louis he had written "Edith's Burglar," a one-act play, afterward elaborated into the four-act drama "The Burglar." In those days Thomas was employed on a St. Louis paper. He was not a brilliant success as a newspaperman, and his gift as a writer was unappreciated. It is related by one who knew Thomas in those early days that on one occasion, feeling the necessity of making a showing, having had no luck in turning up news stories, he offered his city editor the manuscript of "Edith's Burglar" as a special. The city editor thought so little of it that he threw it into the waste basket from which Thomas was fortunate enough to rescue it.—N. Y. Times.

BIGGEST BATTLESHIPS.

Three of 18,000 Tons Each to Be Built by Great Britain.

For several years past the size of the men-of-war of the British navy has been increasing at a rapid rate. We are building, says the London Telegraph, battleships and armored cruisers of 15,000 tons displacement, and it has now been decided by the admiralty to make a further almost sensational departure by laying down in the present year three battleships with a displacement of no less than 18,000 tons. They will be the largest and most powerful vessels for warlike purposes afloat. Remarkable as this further addition of 3,000 tons seems, the decision of the naval authorities, though it will be severely criticised, is in keeping with the tendency of all construction in the past 40 years. We began with the Warrior, of 10,200 tons; then built the Agincourt and her sisters, of 10,600 or so; in 1876 laid down the Inflexible, of 11,880 in the eighties the Admiral class, of 10,600, followed by the Nile and Trafalgar, of 11,940, and in the early nineties by the Royal Sovereigns, of 14,150 tons. Then came the Majestic, of 14,900, and the Formidable type, 15,000. Now at a jump we pass to leviathans indeed of 18,000 tons. The tendency abroad, though not so marked, has had the same direction. America is building a ship of 16,500 tons.

Our new monster warships will mount four 50-ton 12-inch weapons of the newest type, being the same number as is carried by all battleships of recent date, and ten six-inch quick-fires, instead of 12, as in existing ships. The reduction in number in this instance is due to the introduction of an entirely new piece, the 7.5 wire-wound breech loader, which has been adopted because the eight-inch gun is too heavy for rapid work, and a need has been felt for something between the 12-inch and the six-inch quick-fire.

If there is an advantage in thus adding to the size of our ships of war, in spite of the outcry against the policy of "putting all one's eggs in one's basket," it is not easy to see why we should rest satisfied with the present stage. Vessels of 20,000 or even 30,000 tons may be regarded as desirable before many years have passed. Meantime the average cost per ton, which has risen in the past six years from £60 to £75 in this country, still continues to increase, and while the newest armored cruisers will cost over £1,000,000, the battleships of 18,000 tons will probably not be completed for less than a million and a quarter each, possibly more.

RATHER BULKY SAMPLES.

Drummer's Amusing Experience at a Brand New Hotel.

W. R. Crerand, the publisher of trade publications, tells this story of a recent trip to a town in Pennsylvania, where a new hotel had just opened. He was standing by the desk one evening when a new arrival who had just registered was asking for mail. As the clerk was looking for the mail the landlord, who was behind the register also, looked at the newcomer and said, pleasantly: "Are you a traveling man?"

"Yes," was the answer.

The landlord beamed and said: "We have just opened up here, and we have a fine sample room, and I want you to make yourself at home in it."

"I have no samples with me," said the stranger.

The landlord looked rather disappointed and said: "Perhaps you didn't think you would find a place to display them properly and left them up the road. If so, will you let me send for them."

The stranger seemed touched by the sincerity of the host, and said: "I am afraid that would put you to a great deal of bother. You see, I travel for a bridge company."—N. Y. Times.

FIRE FROM WASTE PAPER.

Great Vigilance Required Where Large Quantities Are Stacked.

The deterioration in the quality of paper increases the liability of fire wherever waste paper is accumulated in any quantity. Most modern paper is made from wood and other vegetable fibers which, chemically, are not very different from the component material of a haystack. If the waste paper is stacked in large quantities, and especially if it happens to be a little damp, heating takes place just as with a prematurely stacked haystack, and spontaneous combustion may at any time break out in flame, as it has often been known to do in the farmyard, and of late years the greatest care and vigilance has been necessary to guard against it.—Scientific American.

To Retain Havana's Morro.

Washington, July 19.—In addition to the other bases of supplies demanded in the Platt amendment it is the intention of the administration to retain permanently Morro castle, overlooking the harbor of Havana. It is the intention to occupy, control and defend the stronghold with United States troops after the government of the island has been turned over to the Cubans. The plan is to equip the fortress with modern artillery in order that Cuba may be assisted in defending herself against outside interference, and also that the United States may thus have guarantee against failure on the part of the Cuban government to carry out its pledges and the terms of the treaty now in course of preparation as between this country and Cuba. Under this treaty the retention of the fort is provided for.

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Room for Generosity.

Rochester Post-Express.

Charles M. Schwab, the president of the United States Steel corporation, has entered the competition among rich men for generosity. He has presented in the name of Mrs. Schwab \$50,000 for the erection of a new Roman Catholic church at Braddock, Pa.

It is to be hoped that the gift is only the beginning of a series of gifts that will rival those of Mr. Carnegie, Mr. Rockefeller and other American millionaires. He has the fortune that will enable him to compete with them with a fair degree of success.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Had Two Horses Die.

Nevada Herald, 12.

D. Harkreader, of Moundville township, recently lost two valuable horses by having them die. When the animals were taken sick, they had symptoms of poisoning, and before they died symptoms of hydrophobia developed. The supposition is that the horses had been bitten by a mad dog and that their death resulted therefrom, though, of course, this is not definitely known to be the case.

Duel With Burglars.

Ravenna, O., July 18.—In a revolver duel on Main street at 3 o'clock this morning between officer Richard Fairchild and two robbers, who had just rifled a millinery store, one of the latter was shot dead, while his pal succeeded in escaping. Fairchild was uninjured, although eight or ten volleys were fired at him. The dead burglar is unidentified.

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Ex-Senator Pugh, of Alabama, Very Ill.

Washington, July 15.—Ex-Senator Pugh, of Alabama, is seriously ill at his home in this city with liver trouble. Saturday night he was in an extremely critical condition, but he rallied and to day his condition was slightly more favorable. His advanced age, over eighty years, is against him.

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He Shot the Husband.

Lincoln, Neb., July 18.—A. J. Newburn, late last night at Nebraska City, remonstrated with his young wife because she went buggy riding with William Brown. The wife responded angrily. Newburn attempted to chastise her, when Brown pulled a revolver and shot Newburn in the face, knocking out three teeth. Brown surrendered to the police. Newburn will recover.

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